

City
of Asheville
North Carolina



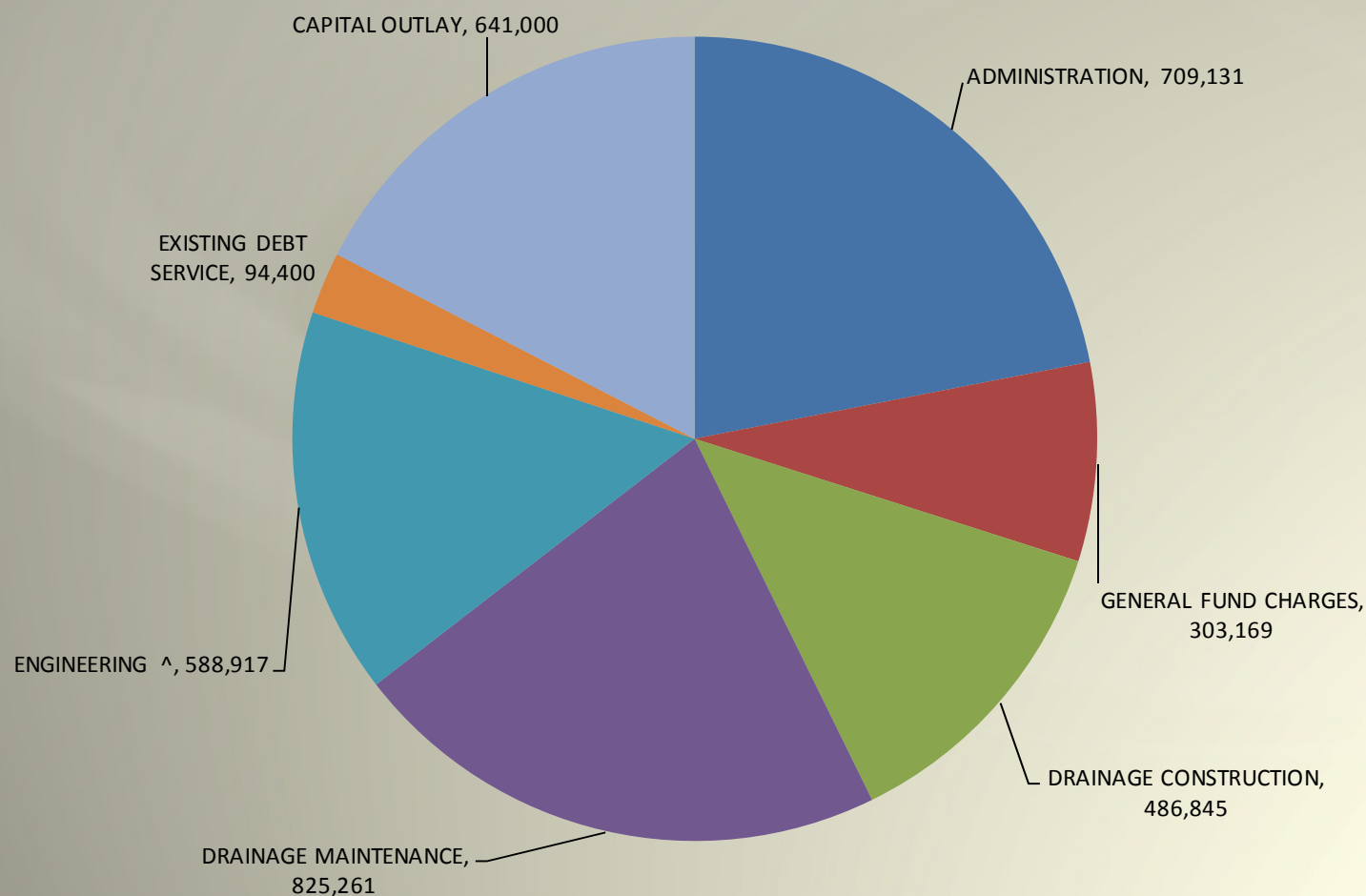
Stormwater Utility Fee

March 25, 2014

City of Asheville- Stormwater Fund FY 2014 Budget



CITY OF ASHEVILLE - STORMWATER FUND FY 2014 BUDGET



Current Program



- Meets minimum measures of federal mandate (NPDES) Stormwater Phase II
- One maintenance crew
- Three street sweepers
- Two vacuum trucks
- One construction crew
- Minimal planning activities

During July 1, 2012—June 30, 2013 Stormwater Services Operations Completed:



- **1,977** feet of new or replaced storm drains
- **3,519** miles of City streets swept
- **1,118** tons of solids removed from city streets and drainage structures
- **9,960** catch basins & storm drains cleaned
- **4,645** grading/erosion control & stormwater inspections
- **457** stormwater plans approved
- **982** school age kids educated about stormwater
- **115,500** educational brochures mailed to residence



Stormwater Rates for Other NC Programs



• High Point	\$2.00
• Asheville	\$2.34
• Concord	\$4.30
• Durham	\$4.50
• Fayetteville	\$3.00
• Chapel Hill	\$3.25
• Winston-Salem	\$4.50
• Greenville	\$5.70
• Raleigh	\$4.00
• Wilmington	\$6.45

Proposed FY 2015 Objectives



- Program objectives are summarized as follows:
 - Improve preventative maintenance operations to including ditching, pipe replace, system inventory.
 - Increase investment in infrastructure (capital improvements).
 - Complete system analysis to accurately prioritize infrastructure needs.

Future Program Approaches



Option One: Minimal improvements to include: additional capital construction projects.

Fee Change:

\$2.34 ERU per month => \$3.20 ERU per Month

Revenue Increase:

\$1,045,000

Future Program Approaches



Option Two: Strategic program improvements that include planning objectives and undertake a measured plan for Capital Improvements.

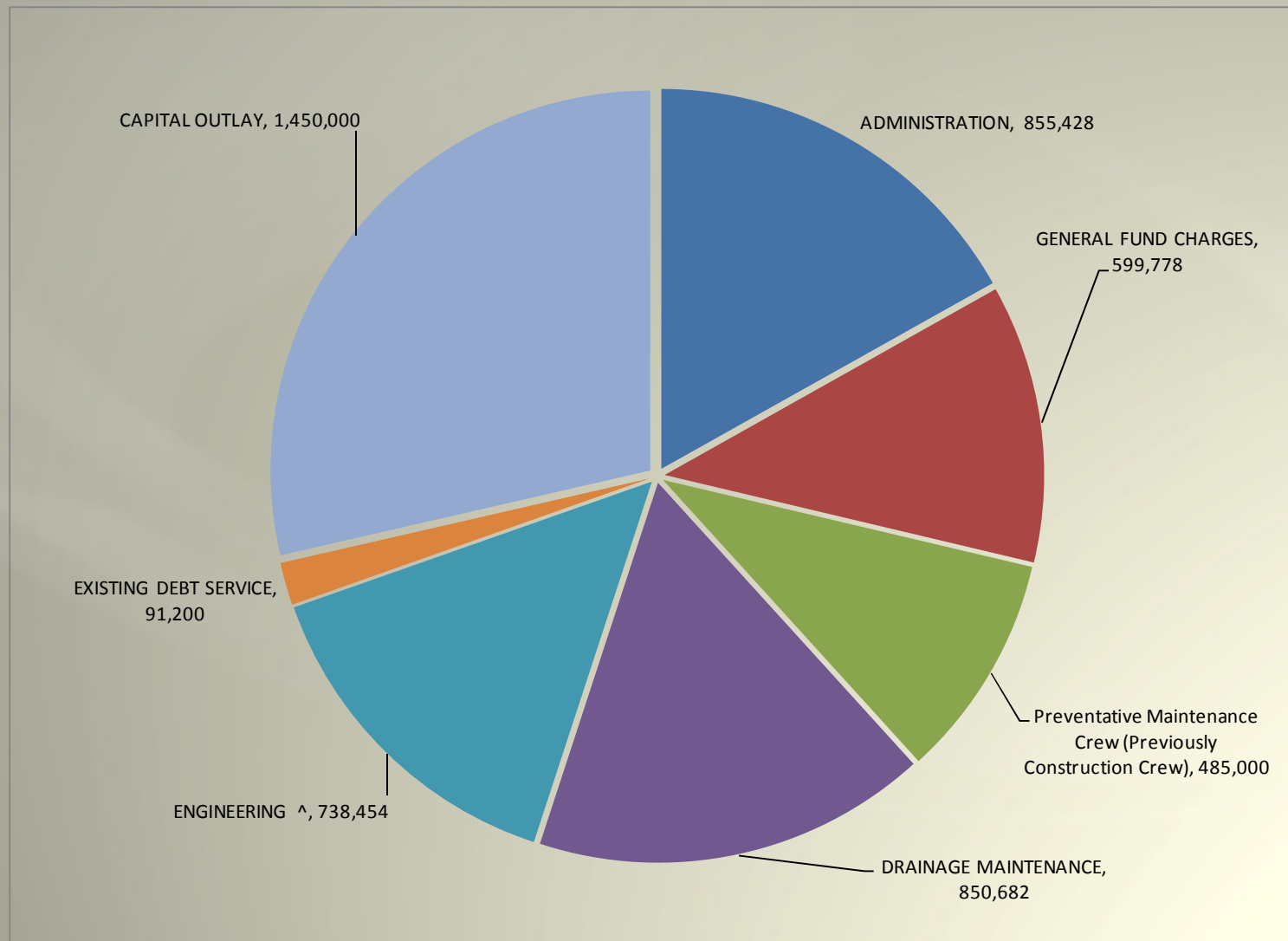
Fee Change:

\$2.34 ERU per month => \$3.50 ERU per Month

Revenue Increase:

\$1,399,000

City of Asheville- Stormwater Fund FY 2015 Budget (Option 2)



Future Program Approaches



Option Three: Visionary program that create a capital improvement program that addresses major community needs.

Fee Change:

\$2.34 ERU per month => \$4.00 ERU per Month

Revenue Increase:

\$1,995,000

Additional Considerations



- Asheville has an aging storm water infrastructure
- Citizens have requested a higher level of service
- Options include a potential increase each year



Next Steps

- Get initial thoughts from Finance Committee
- Do outreach and education to public
- Bring to Council for consideration as part of the fees and charges adoption